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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq.  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Section 63.71 Application of TelCove Operations, LLC**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed is a Section 63.71 discontinuance application of TelCove Operations, LLC (FRN: 0015064371) ("TelCove"), a Level 3 company. The application seeks Commission approval for the discontinuance of TelCove's ISDN/PRI and Analog Phone services in the Detroit, Michigan metropolitan area on or around March 31, 2015. A separate notice of this discontinuance is being filed under separate cover with the International Bureau pursuant to Section 63.19 of the Commission's rules. No other services are being discontinued at this time, and TelCove plans to continue operations in all states in which it currently provides service.

In the event there are questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Very truly yours,



R. Edward Price

Enclosure

cc (w/encl.): Rodney McDonald (by email)  
Kimberly Jackson (by email)

Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of )  
Section 63.71 Application of )  
**TelCove Operations, LLC** )  
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of )  
the Communications Act of 1934, )  
To Discontinue the Provision of ISDN/PRI )  
and Analog Phone Services in the )  
Detroit, Michigan metropolitan area )

WC Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF  
TELCOVE OPERATIONS, LLC**

TelCove Operations, LLC ("Applicant"), a subsidiary of Level 3 Communications, LLC, seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of ISDN/PRI and Analog Phone Service in the Detroit, Michigan metropolitan area. Notice of the proposed discontinuance is being filed simultaneously with the International Bureau pursuant to Section 63.19 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

The Applicant provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules:

1. Name and Address of the Carrier: TelCove Operations, LLC, 1025 Eldorado Boulevard, Broomfield, Colorado 80021.
2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance: Applicant plans to discontinue the affected services on or around March 31, 2015, or as soon thereafter as any necessary regulatory approvals are obtained. Applicant understands that this application will be

automatically granted on the 31st day after public notice of filing unless the Commission notifies Applicant to the contrary. See 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c).

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected: Applicant proposes to discontinue the affected services in the Detroit, Michigan metropolitan area.

4. Description of Service Affected: ISDN/PRI allows a connection between ISDN Customer Premises Equipment and TelCove switching equipment using a Primary Rate Interface over a digital transport facility. Analog Phone Service provides a voice-grade telephonic communications channel that can be used to place or receive one call at a time.

5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers: Applicant sent a written notification of the planned discontinuance to customers utilizing the services in accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules. Customer notifications were sent on February 6, 2015. A copy of the notification is attached to this application.

6. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominant or Non-dominant with Respect to the Service to be Discontinued: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.

7. Other information: In accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this application is being mailed concurrently with its filing to the Governor of Michigan, the Michigan Public Service Commission and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense. Please direct questions regarding this application to the undersigned.

Conclusion: The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of Applicant's ISDN/PRI and Analog Phone services in the Detroit, Michigan

area. Advance notice has been provided to all affected customers, giving them ample time to arrange substitute services, which are readily available. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Section 63.71 application.

Respectfully submitted,



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**Customer Notice**

1025 Eldorado Boulevard  
Broomfield, CO 80021

**Important Notice Regarding the Planned Discontinuance of ISDN/PRI and Analog Phone Services Provided by TelCove Operations, LLC**

Dear Customer,

This letter serves as formal notice that TelCove Operations, LLC (a Level 3 company) will be discontinuing its ISDN/PRI and Analog Phone services in the Detroit, MI metropolitan area, subject to approval of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on or after March 31, 2015. You are receiving this notice because you currently subscribe to these services.

**You will need to make arrangements for your service to be carried by another telecommunications service provider. If you have not made arrangements with another telecommunications service provider to replace your ISDN/PRI and Analog Phone services prior to March 31, 2015, please be advised that your service will be disconnected on or after this date, provided that the FCC approves the planned discontinuance.**

If you have questions about this notification, please contact your account manager or call 1-877-2-LEVEL3.

Regards,

Level 3 Communications

**TelCove Operations, LLC is required by the FCC to provide the following statement:**

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of TelCove Operations, LLC. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Cheryll Hart, do hereby certify that on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of TelCove Operations, LLC via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

Secretary of Defense  
Attn: Special Assistance for Telecommunications  
Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20301

Mindel De La Torre  
Chief, International Bureau  
Federal Communications Commission  
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P.O. Box 30221  
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